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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 06-032

101 **CONCERNING THE GREENING OF STATE GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.**

1 WHEREAS, The members of the General Assembly of the state
2 of Colorado are the stewards of our state's economy and environment and
3 our children's future, and are empowered to seek opportunities and
4 solutions that enhance all aspects of our statewide community; and

5 WHEREAS, Residential and commercial buildings account for a
6 significant portion of the energy, water, and timber consumed, as well as
7 municipal solid waste and greenhouse gases generated, in Colorado; and

8 WHEREAS, The state of Colorado, through its agencies and
9 departments, oversees the funding, design, construction, and/or operation
10 of numerous buildings; and

11 WHEREAS, The U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in
12 Energy and Environmental Design program (LEED) provides
13 high-performance and high-efficiency building guidelines, measurable
14 standards, and independent verification for new construction and
15 renovation of existing buildings; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.

Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.

Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

HOUSE
Final Reading
May 8, 2006

SENATE
Final Reading
April 25, 2006

1 WHEREAS, LEED-certified buildings produce substantial
2 financial benefits because they save an average of 30% of the energy and
3 water consumption of a conventional building, encourage the use of local
4 building materials, perform at a lower annual operating cost, create jobs
5 in the local community, provide a healthier indoor environment, increase
6 occupant productivity, and have been shown to improve student
7 performance by as much as one letter grade; and

8 WHEREAS, Governor Owens has signed Executive Order D 005
9 05 to green state government and has directed Colorado agencies and
10 departments to adopt LEED standards for new construction and existing
11 buildings; now, therefore,

12 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-fifth General Assembly of*
13 *the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

14 (1) That the General Assembly supports the use of LEED as a
15 design and construction guideline for all public and private facilities in
16 order to produce high performance, healthy buildings;

17 (2) That the General Assembly urges the state of Colorado and its
18 agencies and departments to design and construct facilities to achieve
19 LEED silver certification to the extent it is cost-effective as a choice in
20 design, construction, and renovation in order to provide operational
21 and/or other savings over a twenty-year period; and

22 (3) That the General Assembly applauds and encourages the
23 efforts of Governor Owens and the Greening Government Coordinating
24 Council to make state government more efficient and high performing.

25 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
26 to Governor Bill Owens, the Greening Government Coordinating
27 Council, and the Executive Directors of each state department.